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In re Application of: Henryk Oleksy
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For: PROCESS FOR CONTOUR
MACHINING OF METAL BLOCKS

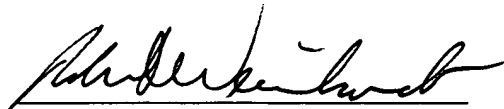
**DECISION ON PETITION
TO MAKE SPECIAL**

This is a decision on the request for reconsideration, filed July 26, 2001, regarding the decision mailed June 29, 2001 on the petition, filed May 25, 2000 under 37 C.F.R. §102(c) and M.P.E.P. § 708.02(VI): Energy, to make the above-identified application special.

A grantable petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.102(c), and M.P.E.P. §708.02, Section VI, must be accompanied by a showing that the application is for an invention which materially contributes to (A) the discovery or development of energy resources, or (B) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources. Examples of inventions in category (A) would be developments in fossil fuels (natural gas, coal, and petroleum), nuclear energy, solar energy, etc. Category (B) would include inventions relating to the reduction of energy consumption in combustion systems, industrial equipment, household appliances etc. Such petitions should be accompanied by statements under 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 by the applicant, assignee, or an attorney/agent registered to practice before the Office explaining how the invention materially contributes to category (A) or (B) set forth above.

Applicant's submissions filed July 26, 2001 and May 25, 2001, considered together, meet all the criteria set forth above and the petition is **GRANTED**.

The application file is being forwarded to the Examiner for accelerated examination in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 708.02.

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